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In re Application of  
Lee  
Application No. 10/039,578  
Filed: October 26, 2001  
Docket No.: 01-10-1769  
For: SAFETY APPARATUS OF  
PIEZOELECTRIC LIGHTER

DECISION GRANTING STATUS  
UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(b)

This decision is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.47(b), filed August 19, 2002.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

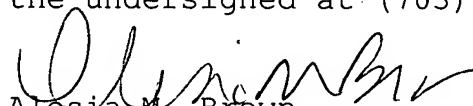
Petitioner has submitted sufficient proof to demonstrate that bona fide effort has been made to provide the non-signing inventor, Thomas Pint Hua Lee, with the application papers and that either the non-signing inventor cannot be reached, or having been reached, refuses to execute the declaration.

The above-identified application and papers have been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(b). This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(b) status.

As provided in Rule 1.47(c), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing inventor at the address given in the petition. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

After this decision is mailed, the above-identified application will be returned to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for further processing.

Telephone inquiries regarding this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (703) 305-0310.

  
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